

CITY HALL 62 Friend Street Amesbury, MA 01913

Amesbury Energy Committee MEETING MINUTES May 13, 2021 @ 6pm

Present: Tony Rinaldi, Michael Hogg, Barbara Lorenc, Nate Mallard, Angela Cleveland, Michael Browne, Nancy Maynes. Missing Member: Jon Camp

- 1. Mr. Rinaldi called the meeting to order at 6:07pm
- 2. Minutes: Nate moved to approve, Barbara seconded. Unanimous
- 3. Public Comment: None
- 4. Communications: Email from ChargePoint asking if we need anything. Google Drive is still active. Michael invited Nancy, Tony, and Angela to access the account.

5. New Business

• Mr. Rinaldi asked how were are going to fund climate/energy projects. Ms. Cleveland responded that we will do this just like we did with before – we use grant funds.

6. Projects

- Green Communities: updates to annual report are being finalized. Projects are complete and being wrapped up/paid for. Is there a cap on how much we can get from the program? How are we doing on the 20% savings? Fleet list...Jon Camp was working on a list of them. Ms. Cleveland will connect with him. Might be from 2015, but could be useful.
- Municipal Aggregation
 - Still in the queue with DPU. Colonial sent us a binder with the final Plan. It is in Ms. Cleveland's office. There is funding that can be set aside from the savings to pay for a Sustainability Director.
 - Ask Colonial to come in to talk about adding commercial uses? Can we help them get a better rate? Uses like Maples Crossing could really benefit. Mr. Rinaldi will reach out to Colonial/Bernie.
- EV Charging Stations: changing management to DPW, maintenance contract has been paid for Horizon, we need signage. Can we put a sticker on the existing Parking signs? Ms. Cleveland will ask.

- Can we get a list of all of the EVs in the City? Mr. Rinaldi will ask Amanda or
 Treasurer's office for information on excise taxes. *More-EV.org* also provides a
 number of EVs by zip code. Mr. Hogg is working on getting the information from
 that site.
- Sponsorship need to create a form for people to sponsor. Mr. Browne has a
 policy that everyone needs to review. Ms. Maynes offered to put together a
 form and flyer to promote the program. Offer them for \$1,000 per station. Need
 to emphasize that they are helping their customers lower the cost to charge.
 Cutting edge technology that they are getting in on the bottom floor for.

Streetlights

- Managed by DPW, added back into their budget. Merrimac Municipal is working on the outages. Seems to be going well.
- Ms. Cleveland will follow up with Lori on the status of National Grid's rebates for the streetlights.

7. Other Business

8. Adjourn: Motioned by Ms. Lorenc, seconded by Mr. Hogg. Passed unanimously.